

FARMER REQUIREMENTS

Straight trucks and trucks with trailers having Gross Vehicle Weight Ratings or Gross Combination Weight Ratings of 26,000 pounds or less (other than passenger busses and hazardous material haulers):

- 1) Exempt from all Federal Regulations while operating within the State of Alabama.

Straight trucks and trucks used with a trailer other than hazardous material, having Gross Vehicle Weight Ratings or Gross Combination Weight Ratings of more than 26,000 lbs. operating within 150 miles from the farm will also be treated as exempt from all Federal Regulations while operating within the State of Alabama except for the following;

- 1) Drivers must be at least 18 years of age to operate the vehicles (391.67);
- 2) Inspection, repair and maintenance of vehicle, including driver vehicle inspection reports if more than one commercial vehicle is owned (49 CFR 396);
- 3) The driver must meet physical qualification to operate a combination vehicle (391.67) (Medical Cards 49 CFR 391.43).

CDL, DOT marking or DOT registration will not be required for farm-owned vehicles operating within 150 air miles of the farm.

Hours of service rules for drivers (49 CFR 395) will not be applied to drivers transporting agricultural or farm supplies for agricultural purposes in Alabama at anytime during the year.

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